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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 09/843,344  
Filed: April 25, 2001  
For: Systems and Methods for the Collaborative Design, Construction, and Maintenance of Fluid Processing Plants

Group No.: 3623  
Examiner: Jeanty, R.

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
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| i. Prior to abandonment of the application | 10/18/2005 HDESTA1 00000107 09843344 |
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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith are:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. § 1.98)  
Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

An amendment

### FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 790.00

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)					OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA				RATE		ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	8	—	74	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	=	\$	0.00
INDEP.	2	—	10	=	0	x	\$ 200.00	=	\$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						+	\$ 360.00	=	\$	0.00
							TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		\$	0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for one month:

Fee: \$120.00

### **TOTAL FEE(S) DUE**

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$790.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$0.00
Extension of time fee (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$120.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$910.00

### **PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE**

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:


Check is attached for the sum of \$910.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-4972.

### **INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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